

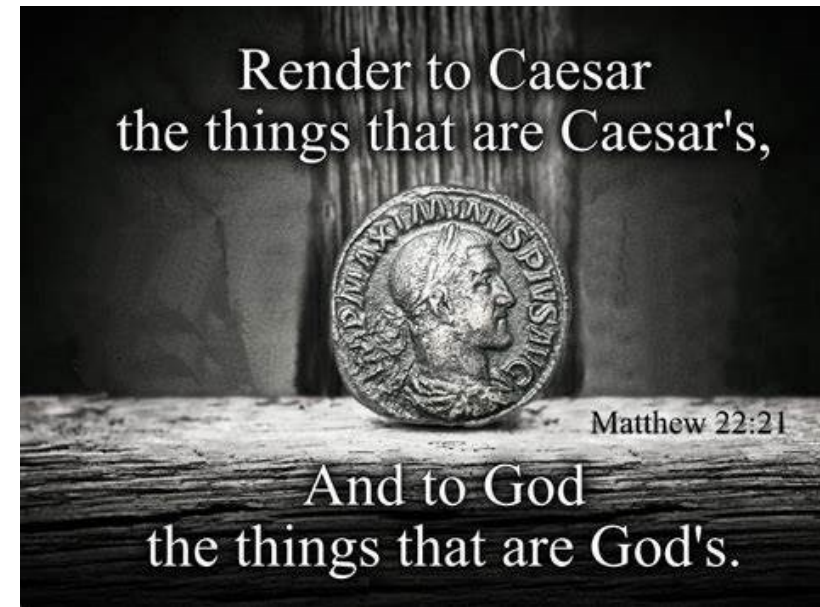
Please continue to pray for the sick of our Parish. To add someone to the prayer list, call Fr. Jim or email Bonnie Toth at: [bonnie3871@gmail.com](mailto:bonnie3871@gmail.com).

Jodi Aerts  
 Dylan Anderson  
 Robert Berry  
 Patricia Bonnewitz  
 Sandra Burke  
 Julie Byron  
 Toni Capute  
 Riordan Cavoris  
 Justin Curtis  
 Mark Davis  
 Tony Donehoo  
 Carol Donato  
 Islea Duncan  
 Alan Ekberg  
 John Evans  
 Kathy Evans  
 Earl Fishback  
 Linda Gardner  
 Elizabeth Gillam  
 Lorraine Brennen Gilliam

Lynn Goss  
 Kathleen Hamilton  
 Jeanne Harper  
 Jeannine Iannaco  
 Pablo Ignacio  
 Patrick Ignacio  
 Meja Irvin  
 Margaret MacDiarmid  
 Carolyn Martin  
 Jamie Martin  
 Greg Moore  
 Kathleen Moore  
 Beverly Moyer  
 Chris Moyer  
 Ray Moyer  
 Don Notestein  
 Patsy Notestein  
 Angel Ortiz  
 George Perry  
 Wendy Pessaro

Gary Peters  
 Laurie Peters  
 Frank Powell  
 Nelson Sanchez  
 Princess Sanchez  
 John Seaquist  
 Ray Servis  
 Jane Sliwinski  
 Margaret Smith  
 Chere Tew  
 Fred Toth  
 Amy Tracy  
 Charles Watson  
 Danielle Weedon  
 Laura Williams  
 Louise Williams  
 Michael Williams  
 Travis Williams  
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# Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church



**October 22, 2023**

**Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church**

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**Holy Eucharist**

**Sunday 8:30 AM; Tuesday 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM**

**Thursday 12:15 PM**

Bulletin news and requests for mass cards: contact  
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## October Birthdays

1 Annette McCabe  
 1 Caroline Swing  
 4 Julia Hounsell  
 6 Gary Conner  
 10 Ted Skirvan  
 14 John Hampton  
 23 Ray Moyer  
 27 Steve Bradish  
 28 Elizabeth Lecco  
 28 Anna Ellrich  
 29 Lyn Goss

## October Anniversaries

14 Rob & Virginia Johnson  
 17 Travis & Louise Williams  
 28 Glen & Kathy Moore  
 31 Phil & Kari Hampton

## A Pastoral Moment with Fr. Jim

In Matthew 22:15-21, the Pharisees and Herodian's try to trap Jesus, First of all, this is an alliance and not a friendship. Alliances are two normally opposing groups joining against a common enemy. The Pharisees are about upholding the Mosaic Law. They oppose the Romans. They believe an image on a coin is idolatry. The Pharisees even believe that there will be a resurrection (but that is a story for another time). The Herodian's are supported by the Romans. Herod is a puppet king installed by the occupiers. The Herodian's care about power more than the Jewish faith. When the enemy (Jesus) is beaten, then they go back to fighting with each other.

One can say that there is a lack of integration between the two groups about what it means to be friends. Their lives are fragmented. To the question: "Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?" Jesus responds: "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

What does Caesar get? A tax. A coin! What does God get? Our whole being. Our hearts and our souls. For God's good order (the Lord does not want chaos. Chaos is of evil.) we pay the coin. But our whole life and the rest of our life is geared towards God. As Paul says, "Whether you eat or drink, do it for the glory of God." Orthodox Jewish people said that God even blesses a husband and with in their most intimate moments.

Of course, if there is a conflict between civil authorities and our faith, we need to at times disobey or confront the authorities. There are issues, for example, in which we challenge the Supreme Court non-violently. What we do on Sunday at Eucharist we take with us for the rest of the week. Caesar should not impinge on our faith, but we need to support Caesar when he brings "holy order" to our society.

If not, then we might quote the words from the movie: "Do the Right Thing: - *Fight the power that be!*"

**FR. JIM AWAY FOR FUNDRAISING:** November 4-5. He will be celebrating mass at St. Edward Catholic Church in Chesterfield County, near Richmond. The proceeds from the trip will be shared by Our Lady of Peace and St. Victoria.

In Fr. Jim's absence, Fr. Paul Konde will celebrate masses at our two parishes: Saturday, November 4 at 4 pm at St. Victoria; Sunday, November 5 at 8:30 am at Our Lady of Peace and Sunday, November 5 at St. Victoria at 11 am.

## Parish News & Announcements

### Oktoberfest/Silent Auction at St. Thomas More Catholic Church October 28th.

Drought conditions in the twin Parish of St. Thomas More in Savannete, Haiti, has suffered a great crop failure. Fr. Joel, the Haitian priest at the Church of the Nativity has requested funds to help feed the children.

If you cannot attend the Oktoberfest and would like to send a monetary donation, please send your check to "Haiti Outreach", St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 3015 Roundelay Road, Lynchburg VA 24502.

SAINT THOMAS MORE

Oktoberfest

Silent Art Auction

FOOD | FUN | MUSIC | BEER

PAINTINGS & MORE

Saturday October 28th  
11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

6:00 PM October 21st  
to 2:00 PM October 28th

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**St. Victoria Christmas Bazaar: Saturday, November 18 (9 am-1 pm):** Come and buy some delicious casseroles. (Fr. Jim's casseroles are called "Fidel Casseroles"). There will be crafts, baked breads, award winning Brunswick Stew, and this year there are lots of pies! Let us support our sister church. St. Victoria is located at 305 Victoria Drive, Hurt VA (just after the last Altavista exit.)

**Calling all bakers!! Kairos Cookies are needed by October 31st.** You can be a missionary! How? By feeding the hunger of others, wherever and whoever they may be, you have a chance to be a part of the "pipeline" that will carry Christ's living water directly to the hearts of prisoners. The Kairos Prison Ministry of passing on the love of God and Agape is the love of God delivered by His people in a tangible way. You have this opportunity by baking cookies for the Virginia Correctional Center for Women at Goochland. Prison guidelines and recipes are available. Please see Eileen Brennen, Alice Doeppé or Bonnie Toth for a copy.

**We bid farewell to Charlie & Mary Graf today.** Please join us today after mass for food and fellowship as we wish two of our founders, Charlie & Mary well on this new chapter of their lives. May they feel all our love and best wishes and carry them with them always. This is not "goodbye" - this is "until we meet again!"